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Caltrans Accelerates Repairs on Interstate 10, State Route 111, and 86 in Riverside County Due to SB 1 Funds

Pavement Project Will Improve 149 Lane Miles Providing a Safer & Smoother Commute for Motorists

Riverside — Caltrans is currently undertaking work to replace and repair 149 lane miles on Interstate 10, and State Routes 111 and 86 in Riverside County due to the funds from Senate Bill 1 (SB 1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017.

Work for the rest of October through early December will include slab replacement work on WB I-10 and EB I-10 in lanes two and three with additional work taking place on SR-86. Work will take place from 12:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. and will be Sunday night through Friday morning until work is complete.



“State Routes 111 and 86 are the main north-south connectors through the southeastern desert region,” said Caltrans Director Laurie Berman. “These routes also link to I-10, one of California’s major trucking corridors. Repairing these highways will improve freight movement and operational efficiency.”

Of the 105,000 vehicles that use I-10 daily, nearly one-fifth of them are carrying freight, the weight of which contributes to rapid road surface deterioration.

“This SB 1 funded project will repair our aging transportation system,” said Caltrans District 8 Director John Bulinski. “Being able to provide a better infrastructure is critical in keeping motorists moving and the economy growing in the Coachella Valley.”

The \$17 million pavement repair project was awarded to Hazard Construction, began the week of July 9, 2018, and will last for approximately seven months.

The project will fill potholes, and repave and resurface the roads to increase ride quality and extend their lifecycle.

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The work on I-10 will stretch from Jefferson Street to Polaris Wash; on SR-111 from Lincoln Street to SR-86; and on SR-86 from the Imperial County Line to I-10. Motorists are encouraged to plan ahead, use alternate routes, and Be Work Zone Alert.

Advance warning signs will inform motorists of closures. Pre-cast slabs are being installed rather than quick-set concrete. The slabs require a longer period of time to install, however the benefit is longer lasting pavement with fewer repairs.

Caltrans realizes there are impacts to commuters and the traveling public during the work. We apologize for the inconvenience. Please have patience and add extra time to your trip to avoid being late to your destinations.

The work schedule is subject to change due to traffic incidents, weather, availability of equipment and/or materials, and/or construction-related issues. More information and updates on Inland Empire projects can be found at www.caltrans8.info where you may sign up for commuter alerts, or on Twitter via @Caltrans8.

SB 1 provides an ongoing funding increase of approximately \$1.8 billion annually for the maintenance and rehabilitation of the state highway system. SB 1 funds will enable Caltrans to fix more than 17,000 lane miles of pavement, 500 bridges and 55,000 culverts by 2027.

Caltrans is committed to conducting its business in a fully transparent manner and detailing its progress to the public. For complete details on SB 1, visit <http://www.rebuildingca.ca.gov/>.

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